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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**Inventors:** Joseph Nardone et al.**Confirmation No.** 4505**Serial No.:** 09/985,879**Examiner:** TBD**Filed:** November 6, 2001**Group Art Unit:** TBD**Title:** System For a Configurable Open Database Connectivity Conduit**RECEIVED**Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
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REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL AS ATTORNEY OF RECORD

Sir:

I, John W. Ryan, Registration No. 33,771, whose mailing address is Wilmer, Cutler & Pickering, 2445 M Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20037, respectfully request that the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks grant me, those associates reporting to me, including Krishna Kalidindi, Registration No. 41,461; Paramita Ghosh, Registration No. 42,806; Chris McWhinney, Registration No. 42,875; Matt Phillips, Registration No. 43,403; Ki Kim, Registration No. 43,450; Hyung Sohn, Registration No. 44,346; Anderson Chen, Registration No. 44,436; Ashok Mannava, Registration No. 45,301; Timothy Kang, Registration No. 46,423; Bryan Webster, Registration No. 47,214; Jeremy McKown, Registration No. 47,785; Steven Walmsley, Registration No. 48,021; Dave Ghatt, Registration No. 50,926; Michael Graham, Registration No. 51,750; and the firm of Wilmer, Cutler & Pickering, permission to withdraw as attorney of record in this application pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.36.

The reason for this request is that Wilmer, Cutler & Pickering is closing down the patent prosecution practice and all patent practitioners are leaving. In this regard, the firm will no longer be handling any patent prosecution work. Consequently, the firm will be unable to prosecute the above-identified application.

Each of the applicants has been contacted regarding choosing another firm to represent them and a copy of this Request is being sent to the applicants.

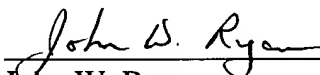
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